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Subject: Financial Relief Assistance

Hi Wendy and Heather,

I hope all is well with both of you as we navigate through this difficult period for our respective City's. I am reaching out to both of you regarding any information you can share relative to the avenues being explored by your respective municipalities to secure financial relief to offset the significant municipal and policing costs being incurred to address the protests and occupation. Currently here in Windsor it is a very fluid situation and there is little clarity at this stage regarding the financial supports that will be place to assist us. An injunction has been sought which will hopefully be granted to allow for the necessary next steps to move forward to clear the blockages at the Ambassador Bridge but that remains to be seen and the costs are mounting daily.

I understand in Ottawa that the following resolution was passed and while it doesn't directly securing funding it does send a strong message:

"THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council request the Mayor write to the Ontario Premier to proclaim in force Schedule 1 of the *Comprehensive Ontario Police Services Act, 2019* to allow the Ottawa Police Service Board and the Solicitor General of Ontario to charge those persons responsible for causing a temporary increase in the cost of providing adequate and effective policing in the City of Ottawa, those increased costs."

I am curious what if any other measures have been taken by your municipality/police services. Have your Mayor's declared Emergencies? Clearly the Provincial Municipal Disaster Relief Assistance programs does not apply in this case given the natural disaster criteria requirements and the high \$ threshold? Most of our research indicates that a Provincial Emergency Declaration (just declared) is necessary and may act to flow Federal Funding but again there is not full clarity at this stage if that will be the case.

Any information you could share would be greatly appreciated.

Thanks
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